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P. Chandra et al., "Network Support for Application-Oriented QoS", Quality Of Service, 1998 Sixth International Workshop On Napa, CA, May 18-20, 1998, pp. 187-195.

B. Pagurek, et al., "Management of Advanced Services in H.323 Internet Protocol Telephony", Infocom 2000. Nineteenth Annual Joint Conference of the IEEE Computer and Communications Societies, March 26-30, 2000, pp. 91-100.

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These documents were cited during prosecution of a European patent application corresponding to the above U.S. application. A copy of the European Search Report dated March 18, 2004 is enclosed.

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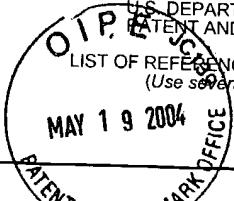
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